Vaidyasastrakusala Dr. (Mrs.) M. Poonen Lukose: I do not think any patient can be fed properly on that small amount. But, this does not follow from the statement given.

Mr. K. K. Kuruvilla: Then how does the member account for the provision of Rs. 4,600 for 4255 patients? Should there not be a higher provision than this?

Vaidyasastrakusala Dr. (Mrs.) M. Poonen Lukose: Sir, patients stay in the hospitals for varying periods. It may be one or two days in some cases, and 30 days in others. Therefore, that inference cannot be drawn from this statement.

Mr. K. K. Kuruvilla: May I know how much money has been spent per day, per patient?

Vaidyasastrakusala Dr. (Mrs.) M. Poonen Lukose: That also varies. Sir, it depends upon the kind of diet prescribed.

Mr. K. M. Kesavan (*Karunagapalli, Kartikapalli and Ambalapuzha* cum *Shertallai*): May I know whether there is any circular for restricting the diet of patients in hospitals?

Vaidyasastrakusala Dr. (Mrs.) M. Poonen Lukose: No, Sir, but there is difficulty in dieting patients satisfactorily.

Statement, by caste, of the clerks in the department of Marine Biology and Fisheries.

48. ***Mr. E. K. Kuriyppe** (*Parur, Kunnatnad and Muvattupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the clerks in the department of Marine Biology and Fisheries?

Dr. K. L. Moudgill (*Ag. Pro-Vice-Chancellor*): The *statement is laid on the table.

Cold Storage.

49. ***Mr. E. K. Kuriyppe:** Will the Government be pleased to name the places in Travancore to which fish from the cold storage is being sent for sale?

Dr. K. L. Moudgill: Vandiperiyar and Peermade.

Nurses in the General Hospital, Trivandrum.

50. ***Mr. James Fletcher** (*Kalkulam and Vilavankod* cum *Neyyattinkara*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of nurses employed in the General Hospital, Trivandrum;

(*b*) the number of nurses who own a house in Trivandrum and the number of those who do not own a house;

(*c*) the salary paid to the nurses;

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